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In re the application of
Vonderwalde et al.

For: **NON-THROMBOGENIC STENT
JACKET**

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Dear Sir:

For further consideration pursuant to the concurrently filed Request For
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follows: